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SUBJECT: FEDAYEEN ATTACK ON KIRYAT SHMONE

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DEPT WILL HAVE SEEN REF REPORT FROM DATT ON
FEDAYEEN ATTACK ON KIRYAT SHMONE. GENERAL ASSUMPTION IS
THAT PERPETRATORS ARE FROM LEBANON. AS DATT HAS BEEN
REPORTING LATELY, IDF BY ITS OWN LIGHTS HAS BEEN ACTING
WITH CONSIDERABLE RESTRAINT IN RECENT MONTHS TO CONTINUED
PROVOCATIONS BY FEDAYEEN BASED IN LEBANON. HOWEVER, THIS
ATTACK CAN ONLY BE SEEN BY ISRAEL AS REPRESENTING A QUANTUM
JUMP IN SERIOUSNESS. I WOULD EXPECT THAT THIS INCIDENT HAS
MADE PROBLEM OF FEDAYEEN IN LEBANON SO ACUTE IN ISRAELI EYES
THAT ISRAEL WILL NO LONGER FEEL THAT IT MUST SUBORDINATE
ITS REACTION TO POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS SUCH AS NEED FOR
PROGRESS TOWARD DISENGAGEMENT WITH SYRIA. STRONG IDF
REACTION, THEREFORE, CAN PROBABLY BE EXPECTED.

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